UINTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Settlement Agreement, Docket No. I13-07

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTALM QUALITY

IN THE MATTER OF UINTAH WATER DISTRICT,	CONSERVANCY	DOCKET NUMBER I13-07 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
78 WEST 3325 NORTH VERNAL, UT 84078		

This SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (hereinafter "AGREEMENT") is between UINTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT (hereinafter "OPERATOR") and the DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY (hereinafter the "DIRECTOR"), concerning violations of the *Utah Water Quality Act* (the *Act*), *Utah Code Annotated*, and the *Utah Administrative Code*.

- 1. The **DIRECTOR** has authority to administer the *Utah Water Quality Act, as amended* 1953, (hereinafter the "ACT").
- 2. The UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (DEQ) has been delegated authority by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to administer the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program under the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA).
- 3. The parties now desire to resolve this matter fully without further administrative proceedings except to the extent provided herein by entering into this **AGREEMENT**. Entering into this **AGREEMENT** is not an admission of liability or factual allegation set out in the **NOTICE**, nor is it an admission of or an agreement to any disputed facts or disputed legal theories, nor is it an admission of any violation of any law, rule, regulation or permit by the **OPERATOR**.
- 4. The **DIRECTOR** will administer the terms and provisions of this **AGREEMENT**.
- 5. This AGREEMENT resolves the NOTICE OF VIOLATION and ORDER, Docket Number I13-07 (hereinafter the "NOTICE"), between the OPERATOR and the UTAH WATER QUALITY (BOARD), issued to the OPERATOR on October 11, 2013, by the BOARD. It does not in any way relieve the OPERATOR from any other obligation imposed under the Act or any other State or Federal laws.
- 6. In resolution of said **NOTICE** referenced in Paragraph 5 of this **AGREEMENT**, the **OPERATOR** agrees to;
 - a. Pay a total penalty amount of \$4,125.00 within 30 days of the effective date of this **AGREEMENT** by check made payable to the State of Utah.

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b. Submit to the **DIRECTOR** for his approval, a report detailing efforts to prove the integrity of the disposal line and insure the integrity of the line.

The penalty has been determined using the *Penalty Criteria for Civil Settlement Negotiations, Utah Administrative Code ("UAC") R317-1-9* which considers such factors as the nature, severity and extent of the violations, history of noncompliance, degree of willfulness and/or negligence, good faith efforts to comply, and economic benefit. Submittals required under this **AGREEMENT** shall be delivered or mailed to the Division of Water Quality, Department of Environmental Quality, 195 North 1950 West, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870.

- 7. Nothing contained in this **AGREEMENT** shall preclude the **DIRECTOR** from taking additional actions to include additional penalties against the **OPERATOR** for permit violations not resolved by this **AGREEMENT**.
- 8. If an agreement between the **OPERATOR** and the **DIRECTOR** cannot be reached in a dispute arising under any provision of this **AGREEMENT**, then the **OPERATOR** or the **DIRECTOR** may commence a proceeding with the **DEQ** under the *Administrative Procedures Act* to resolve the dispute. A final decision in any adjudicative proceeding shall be subject to judicial review under applicable state law.
- 9. Nothing in this **AGREEMENT** shall constitute a waiver by the **OPERATOR** to raise in defense any legal or factual contention for future allegations of noncompliance.
- 10. Nothing in this **AGREEMENT** shall constitute or be considered as a release from any claims, to include natural resource damage claims, cause of action, or demand in law or equity which the **STATE** may have against the **OPERATOR**, or any other person, firm, partnership or corporation for any liability arising out of or relating in any way to the release of pollutants to waters of the State.

AGREED to this day of	, 2013.
UINTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT	UTAH DIVISION of WATER QUALITY
By N. Hawan June Authorized Agent	By